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Golf Season Set to Open at City of London Courses

Spring has officially arrived in London and golf enthusiasts will be pleased to learn Thames Valley, Fanshawe and River Road golf courses have targeted this week for their opening. Staff had to contend with heavy rain over the weekend but with cooperative weather these past few days they have been able to focus on preparing the courses for play.

Fanshawe Traditional Course, Thames Valley Classic Course and Thames Valley Hickory Nine plan to open on Thursday, March 29 at 10 a.m. The Fanshawe Quarry layout and River Road course are still a little too wet for play due to different soil conditions, but are being evaluated on a daily basis and it is hoped that they will be operational within a few days. Golfers are encouraged to call each course to confirm they are open to play because of the uncertainty of the weather.

"Although it's common for some early spring weather set backs, the important thing to know is that the City's golf season is officially underway," says John Cowie, Supervisor of Golf Course Maintenance. "Two weeks ago, it didn't look like winter was ever going to back off, but these past few days have been perfect to get out on the fairways," says Cowie.

Golfers have the convenient option of purchasing their membership online anytime at www.london.ca or by calling 519 661-5575 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Golfers are also reminded that tee times can be booked online using TeeRez available through the City's website.